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Biographies of the Great and Good.

DR. GEO. E. DAY.

We are immeasurably indebted to the past for the benefits it has conferred upon us. Perhaps none has been more valuable than the biographies of great and good men. The story of a noble character awakens in us the consciousness of the greatness of virtue. The excellencies and bright examples of the good men of the past shed a halo of light on the present and impel us with a moral pressure to imitate their virtues. The story of Job exalts patience and faith. It shows how far the knife can go into the quivering flesh without taking the life and how high faith can soar when he exclaims, "Though he slay me yet will I trust in him." The example of Seneca, Plato, Socrates, Bacon and Newton not only illumine the past but brighten the future. The biographies of Francis Xavier, Brainard, Buchanan, Swartz, Henry Martin, Harriet Winslow; of Carey, Marshman, Ward and Judson, give us encouragement in the missionary enterprise. The lives of Leighton, Payson, Pearce, Baxter and Brainerd Taylor, furnish valuable incentives to piety. If we would have models of usefulness in the various walks of life we can find them in the memory of Norman Smith and Harlan Page; of Kilpin, Hannah Hobbie and Caroline Hyde.

To stimulate the young to perseverance and energy, the biographies of Demosthenes, Virgil, Thomas Wolsey, Shakespeare, Oliver Cromwell and Benjamin

Franklin, are of the greatest importance. These men had much against them, but knowledge obeys the call made upon her whether it be by the rich or the poor. The thoughts that floated through the mind of an aged prisoner in the Mamertine dungeon, and which were hurriedly written on parchment by his manacled hand are the heritage of the church to-day. Paul is one of the great example men.

The memoirs of virtuous men are monuments of patience, meekness, courage and faith. They teach us to admire their excellencies and to imitate their example. They serve as finger-posts to point out the truth, and to direct our course to the goal of honor and happiness.

"Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime."

So writes the poet. It is not only our privilege but our duty to "make our lives sublime." Since many who long ago passed over the sea of life have enriched us with their thoughts and doings, it is for us so to act that we may project ourselves into the future and bless those that succeed us. Life may be real. Man may so act that his deeds will live when he is not. To be instrumental in adding a few drops to the cup of human happiness and in diminishing the amount of human woe, is real. To strengthen the moral qualities, refine the character and elevate the affections, are blessed realities which cause the memory to be embalmed in the undying gratitude of the great and the good.



“The Land of Evangeline.”

The evening of November 22, is the time set for the lecture by our pastor on “The Home of Evangeline.” The poem we have all read. But it will become a hundred times more real to all of us after we have looked upon the historic scenes with which America’s greatest poem is associated. Do not miss this lecture! The views are made from original photographs, many of them taken by Dr. de Blois himself. There are no “stock” views.

Remember the date: November 22. And the place: The First Baptist Church. And the object to which the proceeds of the lecture go: Raymond Chapel.

Tickets 50 cents.

Children 25 Cents.

Everybody Come!



The Pastor's Message.

The past few weeks have been crowded with work for all of us, people and pastor. The inauguration of a new year of effort and enterprise on the part of the many societies; the formation of District Committees to serve our interests in the territory contiguous to the church; the purchase of the lot for the new Raymond Chapel building; the preparation of the church lists for publication in the new Handbook, with other minor matters, have taxed the thought and energy of many faithful workers.

The number of meetings which are held in the church in the course of a month is almost appalling. It is encouraging to know that no branch of our work is suffering on account of weakness. The attendance at the Men's League banquet was disappointing, as only 40 or 50 were present; but the Christian Endeavor Society certainly gave us a delicious repast, and the three addresses were an inspiration. The executive committee of the League is a strong body of men. They have decided to meet twice every month, and are hoping and planning to make this a memorable year in the history of the society.

The members of the new district committees are entering with enthusiasm upon their important duties. As soon as the new Handbook is issued they will take up an active and systematic study of their field. We are soon to have a new church visitor, and she will co-operate with the committee and the pastor in obtaining a clearer and more practical knowledge than we have hitherto had, of conditions and opportunities, in this section of the city. This will greatly aid both church and Sunday School. The ladies who are chairmen of the various districts will meet the pastor at regular intervals, occupying the time in discussing plans and suggestions, and in consulting with regard to the furtherance of the interests of our beloved church, through the medium of outlook, visitation,

watch-care, and so forth.

I would like to draw particular attention to the article of Supt. Whitmore, in another column, on the Sunday School. No one knows better than myself the great amount of time and thought which Bro. Whitmore puts upon this department of which he by our choice is the head. Surely he should have our hearty and sympathetic co-operation. There are many indications of good. The strong adult Bible class under the wise and devoted instruction of our Deacon Ahrens is worthy to compare with any similar class in any other school.

The Lorimer class is a vigorous body of young men, whose faces are full of hope and whose hearts are filled with high purpose. The Guild Bible Class has been singularly fortunate in having the careful and competent leadership of Mrs. Googins during recent months and is now under the efficient guidance of Miss Van Fleet whom we have recently welcomed as a new member in our church.

The Sunday School must not be considered an institution separate from the church; it does not stand in exactly the same relation to the church as does any other society; its connection is closer and more intimate. It is a veritable part of the inner life and work of the church. This is the ideal. We should make this the real relation. This can only be done, this deep, vital, true relation can only be properly sustained, by the ardent sympathy and co-operation of the great body of church members. Our future as a church of Jesus Christ depends very largely upon the enterprise and enthusiasm and consecration which characterize the officers, teachers, and members of our Sunday School.

Let us then labor and pray that this year may be one of enlargement and growth in this most important department of our church activities.

Faithfully yours,
Austen K. de Blois.

The Church at Work

Sunday School

To those who do not have the opportunity to visit our Sunday School, it may be interesting to know something of the work and of our different departments.

Cradle Roll Department

"Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise." Matt. 21:16.

It is only on special occasions that we can gather together the members of this department, though quite a few are present every Sunday, and seem to enjoy themselves, as they have the freedom of all departments.

Already the membership numbers between thirty-five to forty, and is constantly increasing. The latest additions are Frank Wesley Embree, the son of our assistant pastor, and Ruth, the only daughter of H. G. Swanson and wife.

Mrs. S. C. Kink was in charge of this department and her successor has not yet been appointed.

"Junior Primary"

"Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

This is our flower garden, and presents a most beautiful picture every Sunday morning; if you doubt this, visit it and it will do your heart good to look into the faces of seventy-five or more bright little tots, and enjoy the singing and other exercises.

While the lesson is taught in words and style adapted to their age, it is most interesting to adults as well; and before you leave, you cannot refrain from offering a silent prayer for God's blessing on the children, and the work that is being done so faithfully and beautifully by Mrs. Thomas and her assistants. From there you step into the

Primary Department

in charge of Brother J. A. Hessler.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Prov. 22:6.

You will be deeply interested in the life and sunshine reflected in the faces of two hundred or more boys and girls from six to ten years of age. The exercises are very attractive to both young and old, and many visitors are recorded every Sunday. You would be well repaid for any effort made or time given in visiting it.

It requires the entire school hour, and many hours at home, of four secretaries to keep the record of this department.

Feeling the need of a closer communion with each other and a deeper spirit life in our school, the teachers have been meeting in a short prayer service immediately following the dismissal of the school. These few minutes of verbal and silent prayer have been very helpful to our teachers and officers.

In this department there is a band of boys and girls known as "The Fisher Mission Band," who have been faithful workers for the Master for nearly two years, by making personal sacrifices and contributing of their pennies to his work in far off lands. For the quarter ending October first, they gave twenty-five dollars, twenty dollars of which was sent Brother Fisher for his work in Japan. Every penny carries with it, across the sea, a loving message from Jesus to the heathen boy and girl; and no one but the Master knows how many souls will be saved through the love and sacrifice of this little band of workers.

Sunday, October 30th a large and beautiful class of boys and girls graduated from this department to the Intermediate Department.

The exercises were quite lengthy but the children went through them splendidly, reciting everything perfectly and without any hesitation. The perfect work reflects great credit on the teachers in charge of the graduating class the past year. Brother Hessler, in a few well chosen words, on behalf of the Primary Department, bade them good-bye and God speed. On behalf of the Intermediate Department, Brother James Barron, in a very compli-

mentary manner, received and escorted them to the main room, upstairs, where they were cordially welcomed by the superintendent and the school.

Assistant Superintendent Barron has charge of the

Intermediate Department.

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them." Ecc. 12:1.

It is very difficult to make the exercises as attractive to the boy and girl of the age we find here; but much thought is being given to it, and we hope soon to introduce new features which will add to the life as well as to the attendance in this department. There are several large and enthusiastic classes, such as the Lorimer Class of young men under the charge of Assistant Pastor Embree, the Amoret Henson Guild Class taught by Miss Van Fleet, and a class of young ladies taught by Miss Elizabeth Pickett. The adult Bible Class is taught by Deacon Ahrens, and the Men's League Class, by Brother C. M. Clarke.

Our pastor gives a five minutes' talk on the lesson each Sunday—this is a step in the right direction and will undoubtedly be a great benefit to the school, in addition to bringing the pastor and school in closer Christian fellowship so necessary to the success of every Sunday School.

The Home Department.

"Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord; we have blessed you out of the house of the Lord." Psalms 118:26.

This department was started nearly two years ago, with the Rev. F. C. W. Parker, then assistant pastor, as superintendent, and Brother Clifford Williams as secretary. With officers of such executive ability and earnestness of purpose, success was assured in advance. Unfortunately for the department and the entire Sunday School, Brother Parker left us in the spring of this year, and Brother Williams resigned as secretary this summer. They did a great work, and placed not only the Sunday School but the church as well under a debt of gratitude. We have between two and three hundred members in this department. We deeply regret that Brother Williams could not be prevailed upon to continue in this work, and his place will be hard to fill.

We extend to him our sincere thanks for

the valuable services rendered. Brother H. F. Googins has been appointed superintendent of this department, and we are much pleased to have so able and efficient a leader, and have no doubt with a competent secretary, whom we hope soon to find, the Home Department will continue to be one of the most influential for good in our school.

While we are providing Bible instruction for scholars of all ages, we are not forgetting the teachers and officers.

AN ADVANCE MOVEMENT

The Teachers' Instruction Class.

"That Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that ye being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to apprehend with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and delight; and to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God." Eph. 3:17, 18, 19.

At the special meeting of the teachers and officers, held October 2nd, it was unanimously voted to authorize the superintendent to secure the services of Mrs. Lamoraux as instructor in the lesson and teachers' training until June first, 1905. Meetings for this purpose are held every Monday evening at eight sharp in the Sunday School room. The first meeting occurred on October 24th—there were about thirty-five present, representing many churches of different denominations. The second meeting on October 31st was largely attended, some sixty being present. This is an opportunity seldom presented, and one that ought not be missed by any interested in the study of God's work; and those directly or indirectly interested in Sunday School work, ought not to allow anything to interfere with their attendance.

Mrs. Lamoraux needs no introduction to Sunday School workers. Her reputation as a Chataqua, and Teachers' Institute lecturer on psychology and kindred subjects as applied to Sunday School work is almost world-wide. Anyone is invited to join this class, and those who cannot afford to pay anything towards the expenses are cordially invited and will be heartily welcome.

We want everyone, who so desires, to avail themselves of the opportunity offered. Funds will not be lacking, for we are confident there are many in our church,

who cannot be actively identified with our Sunday School, who would consider it a privilege to contribute, and it is our duty to give them an opportunity. Any one desirous of helping in this matter can hand their contribution to Brother Hessler, Brother James Barron or Brother Whitmore. There is no doubt but what the Lord will richly bless the members of this class by drawing them closer to himself, and giving them more grace and faith for the great work to which he has called them; and before many months the result will be seen in our school by souls being won for the Master.

Bright Prospects.

The first of last year, many of the most important positions in our school became vacant through the necessity of those holding them resigning. Each had a good and sufficient reason so none could complain, but it made a vast difference in the work of the school as each had been in their position for many years and were thoroughly familiar with its duties in every detail. It has been difficult to fill their places, and especially with those adapted to the work and when the one for the place is found, it requires months to become familiar with its requirements; we are gradually filling these vacancies and hope ere long to have all departments in good working order.

Since "Rally Day" the attendance has increased very materially, especially in the Primary Department, so the prospects are much brighter and we have every reason to be encouraged; and when we secure a Sunday School visitor, the attendance will be greatly increased.

We want to congratulate the school and especially the officers and teachers on the increasing number who are on time since we have adopted the plan of calling the roll at 9:35. Let the good work go on until all are early. You will soon realize the influence of this on your scholars.

Some of Our Needs

1st. More consecrated teachers, especially in the Intermediate Department.

2nd. Such a deep love for and interest in the work by officers and teachers that it will be Sunday School first and personal pleasure and comfort second.

3rd. A deep interest in the school on the part of members of the church. We know there are many who cannot become

actively identified with our work, but you can aid us with your prayers and occasional visits, and with your money. Are we asking too much? We think not, and ask it of you in the name of the Master and for his cause.

Faithfully yours,

C. E. Whitmore, Supt.



Christian Endeavor

Miss E. M. Pickett, Dept. Editor

"All things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." The Christian Endeavor Society is realizing constantly the fulfilment of this promise in its work. We have met with marked success lately, and to our Master do we give the praise.

Seven new members were welcomed this month:

Miss Martha Remus
Mrs. Geo. C. Arthur
Mr. J. H. Shantz
Miss Vanja Rundquist
Miss Frances Drawert.
Mr. Ernest Hartung
Mr. Woodley

Thursday evening, November 3rd, the South Division Christian Endeavor Union held a rally at the Second Presbyterian Church. John Balcolm Shaw, the pastor, gave the address upon "The Supreme Summons of the Hour."

The best news of the month refers to the Intermediate Christian Endeavor. For some time a number of young people have been anxious to reorganize this society. Mr. Cassius Williamson has now consented to accept the office of superintendent and at the first meeting, which was called Sunday evening, October 16th, at 7 o'clock, seventeen of those present signified their desire to join this organization. A constitution and nominating committee was appointed who reported the following Sunday evening.

The report of the committee was accepted and the following elected to office:

Mr. Walter Leland, President
Mr. Henry Chase, Vice President
Miss Lillian Linehan, Secretary
Mr. Julius Lackner, Treasurer
The chairman of the Lookout committee.
Miss Hattie Tood.
Prayer Meeting, Mr. Samuel Lingle
Social, Mr. Adrian Webster
Missionary, Mr. Robert Leland

Fifteen signed as active members. We expect this will increase rapidly to fifty within a short time.

Intermediate South Division C. E. Union Rally

Friday evening, October 21st, the Intermediate Christian Endeavor Union of the South Division, held an inspiring and enthusiastic rally at the Washington Park Congregational Church. The First Baptist society was not yet organized, but eight young people enjoyed the service as visitors. Dr. C. S. Waite gave a most practical and instructive talk from the words: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy mind, with all thy soul and with all thy strength."

Junior Sunshine Band

They have become a shining example to us all. These little children made and have paid a pledge of three dollars to the Raymond Mission. Proportionately speaking it might carry the influence of three hundred dollars from any other organization.

Ready For More Service

The consecration meeting this month was led by Dr. de Blois, "How can we enlarge and improve our work." The lesson was from the barren fig tree that withered away at our Lord's command because it was unfruitful. His words roused us to think of more that we could do for Christ and our church.

At the first meeting of the month we were glad to greet some of the honorary members—Mr. Mallory leading the service. We hope that these former members will often grant us the pleasure of their presence at our meetings.

Announcement.

The next Chicago Union Rally, will be held at the usual place, the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, Tuesday evening, November 15th. Rev. Francis E. Clark, president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, and Mr. Wm. Shaw, its treasurer, will be present. It is earnestly expected that all who can will attend this rally. **It will be a good one.**

A recent achievement of the society was the successful serving, under our direction, of the banquet for the Men's League. We did not realize as much as we hoped to

from it, because of the small attendance, but we are gratified to announce that about twenty dollars will be added to the amount already paid in on our pledge to the building fund.



Ladies' Benevolent Society

Mrs. W. Morava, Dept. Editor

The meeting on the twenty-first was a small one, due to bad weather, but the work of the society and the plans for the bazaar were forwarded with the usual earnestness.

The Bazaar

The ladies of the Benevolent Society have planned a very interesting bazaar, to be held in the Sunday School rooms of the church on the afternoon and evenings of December first and second. All summer busy hands have been fashioning articles of use and beauty for this event.

A Japanese room, decorated with cherry blossoms will be a tempting place to rest and partake of dainty refreshment; young ladies in beautiful Japanese costumes, will add to the illusion. A booth entirely for dolls is promised. Also one for fancy work, another for aprons, for bags both useful and ornamental; one containing the dainty belongings for the wee ones of our homes. A utility booth to provide some of the sober necessities of life, and a delicatessen department where the most dainty jellies and jams, the finest cakes and pies our housewives can make will be on sale. The young ladies of the Missionary Society will provide a table of delicious home-made candy. A luncheon will be served from five to seven, in order to care for the ladies who attend the booths, or visitors who wish to remain from afternoon to evening. We hope the gentlemen will avail themselves of this opportunity.

Every one who has a contribution for the bazaar, is requested to send the article to the solicitor from whom she received the request, by November fourteenth, not forgetting to give the cost of the article, as this will greatly assist the appraising committee. The solicitors are requested to send all articles received to the residence of Mrs. C. A. Havens, 3018 Vernon avenue, on Tuesday or Wednesday, the fifteenth or sixteenth of November.

The plans for the bazaar have been perfected very carefully. No effort of time or thought has been spared by the chairman or her committees. One thing remains to ensure success; that is, for each of us to advertise it among her circle of friends. To this end cards of invitation will be prepared, and can be obtained at the Benevolent Society on Friday, November eighteenth, or from the officers or members of the society. If these are distributed widely among our friends many outside our own congregation will be glad to attend the bazaar.

On October 21st, a stormy day, resulted in a somewhat reduced attendance. All lines of work were entered into with the usual enthusiasm by the fifty-eight present. The monthly business meeting on November 4th, drew out a large attendance. The reports of the standing committees showed activity along all lines of work.

Expressions of loving sympathy were extended to Mrs. A. A. Gaylord and to Mrs. Russell in their bereavement and sorrow.

The very delightful entertainment given in the parlors of the church on November 3rd, by three of Chicago's most talented artists, Mr. Allen Spencer, Mrs. Burton Hanson and Miss Mary Peck Thomson, proved a great artistic, social and financial success. The recitals by Mrs. Burton Hanson are always most effective. The beautiful voice of Miss Thomson held her audience entranced. We feel under special obligation to Mr. Allen Spencer who not only excels as a pianist, but suggested the entertainment and gave not only his services but also the piano. To each and all of these generous and gifted artists we express our sincere thanks.



Women's Mission Circle

Mrs. L. B. Lingle, Dept. Editor

The attendance at the October meeting was not up to our average, only forty three being present.

The people of China proved an interesting study. Papers were read by Mrs. Lumley, Mrs. Tomlinson, and Mrs. Pickett, showing the poverty of the dense population and the ignorance of the women of China.

Foot-binding with its sad results, was

discussed, and the change in China's attitude toward western civilization illustrated. Mrs. Doran gave an interesting account of the life and labors of Robert Munson, China's pioneer Protestant missionary, whose patient efforts resulted in the translation of the Bible, and laid the work that has since borne abundant fruit.

The plans for the praise service on the second Friday in December, are progressing, and we hope the attendance will be large, and the thank offerings remembered.



Amoret Henson Guild

Miss B. M. Harvey, Dept. Editor

In the report of the June Guild meeting the hope was expressed that we might open our fall work with largely attended and helpful meetings and abundant energy in all our lines of work. This hope has been more than realized in the meetings of September and October.

The last supper held was a delightful one, with about sixty girls at the tables and Miss Van Fleet, the new teacher of the Guild Bible Class, to give us a brief, but helpful talk afterwards. The only drawback was the absence of Dr. de Blois, who was detained at the last moment and could not be with us as we had expected.

At our September meeting the annual election of officers occurred, and we are all greatly rejoiced that Miss Jessie Chandler is to be our president during the coming year. We know of old, her limitless energy and enthusiasm and are planning and hoping great things with her as our leader.

We are expecting some very good programs during the winter and most cordially invite young women of the church and congregation to enjoy them with us.

The Glee Club

The work of the Glee Club began promptly with the opening of the fall season and the girls have been doing some faithful study in the past weeks. The girls are beginning to come in and fill the places of those who left last year and Prof. Havens is planning some delightful work for us.

We have a good supply of new music which we hope you may enjoy with us during the winter.

The Guild Bible Class

We consider ourselves most fortunate in having Miss Van Fleet, of the Training School, as our teacher this winter. With her experience with young women, she is splendidly fitted for the place.

We are planning to do some things in the way of reaching girls and in Bible study rather new to our class and we hope to fill our room with girls willing to help and be helped.



Young Ladies' Missionary Society

Miss E. G. Gale, Dept. Editor

The first fall meeting of the society for this year was held at the home of the Misses Grace and Medora Googins, 3247 South Park avenue, on Wednesday afternoon, October fifth. The girls sewed on things for the bazaar and enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon.

On Wednesday, October nineteenth, the society met at the home of the Misses Helen and Hattie Todd, 3370 South Park avenue. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Miss Lelia Ahrens

Vice President, Miss Hattie Todd

Secretary, Miss Katherine Marshall

Treasurer, Miss Edith Gale

Chairman of Lookout Committee, Miss Helen Heath

Department Editor, Miss May Fralick

Chairman of Social Committee, Miss Ethel Hoops

The next meeting of the society will be held at the home of Miss Lelia Ahrens, 3218 Vernon avenue, on the afternoon of November second.



Lorimer Class

On Monday evening, Oct. 10th, the class gave its first social to the young ladies. It was declared a grand success by all present. The games were enjoyed by all. Refreshments were served to one hundred and fourteen young people.

Sunday morning class attendance is about the same. During the past month, we have secured only three new members. We ought to have done better. Let each member assume his part of this work, that we may increase our number more rapidly during the next few months.

Mr. Williamson attempted to organize a football team, to represent the athletic

activity of the class. However, owing to the lack of material at the practice field, the idea has been abandoned, and at present the athletic activity finds vent in the Monday night meetings. This shows that the great need of the class is a place for physical exercise, for gymnasium work.



Raymond Chapel

Charles H. Coyle, Dept. Editor

We are rejoiced to believe that we are at last about to see an actual start made at building our new home. The wreckers have demolished the cottage that stood on the lot now ours at 31st St. and Poplar Ave. and we are told that plans are about ready and funds in the treasury for an immediate beginning.

The general outlook is very encouraging. The attendance at all our meetings is fully as large as when we were in our own quarters at the old building. Some of our meetings, notably the Christian Endeavor meetings, are much larger than ever before and the interest is in proportion. We are adding new scholars to our Bible School each week and keeping most of our old ones. And it is a pleasure to tell of the sympathy and good fellowship manifest at the Sunday evening union meeting of the Immanuel Presbyterian people and our own.

A very sad accident befell Mr. Fred Wadie Saturday night, November 5th. While switching cars he slipped in front of the locomotive and lost his right foot.

Miss Laura Mason has been quite ill but a rest in the country proved good medicine and she is regaining health. Miss Jennie Throw and Miss Elsie Weirman also claim our sympathies on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Carter, missionaries to Honduras, Central America, was in Chicago for a few days recently, on their way south to resume the work they have been engaged in for seven years. We had the pleasure of listening to Bro. Carter in the Bible School.

Two weeks ago we greatly enjoyed a missionary meeting conducted by Miss Ross. The work in Cuba was described by Miss Pettison in a most interesting manner and from practical experience. The Ladies Quartette is a credit to the school.



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Praise

A word of worthy praise is worth a world of faultfinding. There is inspiration in a timely kindly word of appreciative praise. It gives courage for greater achievement. It is like a raise in one's salary, a high credit in school, a medal for some merit, for it makes a man feel like doing something. Praise is a priceless kind of sympathy which rightly rendered is ever gladly received. Praise is constructive; faultfinding is destructive. Praise is encouragement; faultfinding is discouragement. Praise is helpful; the habit of faultfinding is worse than useless.



"Ye Are My Witnesses."

Jesus is ever on trial before the world in the lives of his disciples. What ever we do in deed or word counts for him or against him. We make Christ a prisoner

in our lives unless he is freed by our testimony.

When the spirit leads the leader in a prayer meeting to ask Christians to take part, it is not the time for a holy calm. There is a place for quiet communion but it is inexcusable when sinners are waiting for saints to say a word for their Saviour. The deadly pause kills the courage of the backward Christian, the weak brother is made weaker and the unsaved are not impressed with the reality of Christ in the lives of those whose lips are silent. Many a meeting has been spoiled by a crank who should never have had time to take part. It is our business to have something to say. "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so." Each one present is partly responsible for the success or failure of a prayer service.



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(Bounded by 33rd St., 35th St., Cottage Grove Ave., and the Lake). Mrs. Piercey, Chairman; Mrs. Smith, Mrs. H. M. Stone, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Humphrey.

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(Bounded by 31st St., 33rd St., and including east side of Indiana Ave., and west side of Wabash Ave.) Mrs. Huntley, Chairman. (The balance of the committee not yet appointed.)

District No. 6.

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Prairie Ave.) Mrs. H. P. Austin, Chairman; Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Combs, Mrs. Perkins, Mrs. Clifford Williams.

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(Bounded by 29th St., 31st St., Cottage Grove Ave., and the Lake.) Mrs. T. J. Holmes, Chairman; Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Tomlinson, Miss Helen Webster.

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(Bounded by 29th St., 31st St., South Park Ave., and including west side of Prairie Ave.) Miss Goodman, Chairman; Mrs. Little, Miss Barstow.

District No. 12.

(Bounded by 29th St., 31st St., east side Indiana Ave., and west side of Wabash Ave.) Mrs. McCrohan, Chairman; Mrs. Gillette, Mrs. Dodge, Miss Mitchell, Mrs. Dr. Thomas.

The names of the ladies appointed to act as an Outlook and Visiting committee beyond the limits of the districts above indicated will be given in next month's issue of Church Life.



The Journal of the Church

H. F. Perkins, Church Clerk

October 1. Saturday. Meeting of the Boys' Club.

October 2. Sunday. Sermons by the Pastor, morning: "Forward!" evening: "The Breach Healed."

October 3. Monday. Social meeting of the Lorimer Class.

October 5. Wednesday. Church prayer and social service, addressed by Mr. G. H. McDaniel of the Ambidexter Institute, Springfield, and Mr. J. M. Mason.

October 6. Thursday. Meeting of Bible Class C.

October 7. Friday. Meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent Society. Christian Endeavor prayer meeting led by Mr. H. F. Mallory. Topic: "Helping one another." Rom. 15:1-7.

October 8. Saturday. Boys' Club.

October 9. Sunday. In the morning the Pastor preached on the topic, "Victory Through Struggle," and in the evening upon, "The Riches of Christ."

October 10. Monday. A very enjoyable social given by the Lorimer Class to the young people of the church.

October 11. Tuesday. Meeting of the executive committee of the Ladies' Benevolent Society with the Pastor.

October 12. Wednesday. Church prayer and social service led by Dr. Day. Topic: "An Every-day Religion." James 1:22-27.

October 13. Thursday. Missionary conference under the auspices of the South Division Christian Endeavor Union, addressed by Miss Shasberger and Mr. E. S. Ransom.

October 14. Friday. Meeting of the Women's Mission Circle. Christian Endeavor prayer meeting led by Miss Pacius and Miss Burchett. Topic: "The Power of Personal Influence." John 1:35-39.

October 15. Saturday. Meeting of the Boys' Club.

October 16. Sunday. Sermons by the pastor, morning: "The Good Father;" evening: "The Mistake of a Life."

October 17. Monday. Social meeting of the Lorimer Class.

October 19. Wednesday. Church prayer and social service led by Ass't Pastor

Embree.

October 20. Thursday. Meeting of Bible Class C.

October 21. Friday. Meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent Society. Christian Endeavor monthly missionary service led by Miss Helen Pickett.

October 23. Sunday. In the morning Mr. Brand, State Superintendent of Missions spoke. In the evening the pastor preached upon the topic: "A Costly Purchase."

October 24. Meeting of the Amoret Henson Guild. Sunday School teachers' study class under the direction of Mrs. Lamoreaux. Social meeting of the Lorimer Class.

October 25. Annual banquet of the Men's League. The speakers were Rev. John Balcolm Shaw, Rev. E. P. Tuller and Rev. Johnston Myers.

October 26. Wednesday. Church prayer and social service. Theme: "Elements of a Solid Church." 1 Cor. 3:1-11.

October 28. Friday. Christian Endeavor prayer meeting led by Dr. de Blois. Topic: "How can we Enlarge and Improve our Work?" Matt. 21:17-22; Isa. 54:2.

October 30. Sunday. Sermons by the Pastor; morning: "The Joy of the Finite," evening: "A Coward's Death."

October 31. Monday. Social meeting of the Lorimer Class. Sunday School teachers' study class.

Changes in Membership Additions

By Baptism—

Lela M. Minnich, 3006 Loomis St.
Eva S. Minnich, 3006 Loomis St.
Mabel Irene Turch, 3256 Union Ave.
Mabel Shane, 135 E. 31st St.
Mark King, 297 Clark St.
Mrs. Harry C. Holloway, 264 E. 51st St.
Mrs. Wm. Lubben, 3035 Farrell St.
Myrtle L. Linehan, 3006 Union Ave.
Mrs. John T. Linehan, 3006 Union Ave.
George A. Grant, 3017 Poplar Ave.

By Letter—

Mrs. W. B. Huskey, 42 E. 33rd Place.
Miss Florence Huskey, 42 E. 33rd Place.
Miss Frances Huskey, 42 E. 33rd Place.
Louis R. Huntley, 3130 Michigan Ave.
Mrs. L. R. Huntley, 3130 Michigan Ave.
Miss Maragret Van Fleet, 2411 Indiana Ave.
Mrs. Carl Tietz, 322 E. 57th St.

Diminutions

By Letter—

Mrs. Franklin W. Swift
Chu Hoy
Miss Susan T. Durfee
Mrs. H. G. Bowles
Chas. D. Wrenn
Stearns C. King
Mrs. S. C. King

By Death—

Ernest Foote



Note

Deacon Goodman, to whom we are so greatly indebted for the writing of our church history, will begin the story of Dr. Henson's pastorate in our next number.

